

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND PURCHASING
(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

Chairman: Mr. Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3

A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND PURCHASING**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on **Monday, April 12, 2010**, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, at 7:33 p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1; Committee Member Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2; Committee Member Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4; Committee Member Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6; Committee Member Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; Committee Member Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8; County Supervisor Daniel W. Davis, ex officio; Ms. Nicole Ewing, County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara B. Austin, Clerk of County Council. Committee Member Dennis L. Fish, Council District No. 5 was excused and departed at 7:33 pm.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman Call called the meeting to order and asked for approval of minutes from the meeting of the Committee on Public Works and Purchasing held on March 22, 2010.

It was moved by Committee Member Callanan and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

A. Mr. Mark R. Schlievert, Deputy Director of Solid Waste, Re: Solid Waste Consulting Engineer Firm.

Mr. Schlievert: "Good evening, County Council, residents of Berkeley County, Mr. Chairman. About a year ago, I came before you with a request for approval of BP Barber to be our Solid Waste Consulting and uh, do all the design for the solid waste. Since that time, they have lost their solid waste section and are no longer qualified to um, perform that function, so we solicited bids and proposals and evaluated those and with recommendation um, as noted, we recommend SCS Engineers to become our consulting. They are also the ones that have been installing our gas project. They are a large firm. Been in the business 45 plus years and in the solid waste, they are not an engineering firm that is going to go away. This is their core business is solid waste, so I recommend that for Berkeley County."

Committee Member S. Davis: "Mr. Chairman?"

Chairman Call: "Go ahead"

Committee Member S. Davis: "The one that was selected is the lowest cost in reference to bid or.....?"

Mr. Schlievert: "Pardon me?"

Committee Member S. Davis: "In relationship to cost?"

Mr. Schlievert: "Yea, we evaluated their cost. They are, uh, all the firms are fairly close in cost except for one. SCS is also one of the lowest, um, fee schedules there, if not the lowest. They were right there."

Committee Member S. Davis: "Ok"

Committee Member Callanan: "Move for approval."

Chairman Call: "Do I have a second?"

Committee Member Farley: "Second"

Chairman Call: "Motion and a second. Any discussion? Hearing none, I will call for the vote. All in favor say Aye? (Ayes) All opposed Nay? (None) The ayes have it. Thank you Mr. Schlievert."

It was moved by Committee Member Callanan and seconded by Committee Member Farley to **approve** awarding the contract for the Solid Waste Consulting Engineer Firm to SCS Engineers. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

B. Mr. Micah Miley, Director of Engineering, Re: Central Berkeley Wastewater Plant Relocation.

Mr. Miley: "Recommend you withdraw that project from consideration tonight."

Chairman Call: "Ok, we can do that."

C. Mr. Doug Tompkins, Deputy Director of Operations, Re: Solid Waste Best-Value Bid Heavy Equipment Purchases.

Mr. Tompkins: "We received bids March 23rd on four pieces of heavy equipment for the Solid Waste Division, a bull dozer, front end loader, compacter and an off-road dump truck. We used the same bid document as Roads & Bridges used for their purposes after it was changed, after the requested changes from County Council. We did send out three addendums. The first one, we went to the pre-bid meeting that Roads & Bridges had just to make sure we were following the same process. There was a little bit of clarification needed on their spec that you could have actually submitted a 2009 piece of equipment versus a 2010. We made the same change that Roads & Bridges made to correct that. We have a pre-bid meeting just like the

Roads & Bridges. We got a couple of comments from ASC Construction Equipment on the horsepower requirements and a clamp on the quick disconnect, which we made those changes as they requested. After that we got some requests for additional changes from Industrial Tractor. We sent out a third addendum making most of those corrections that they had requested. After that, we also dropped the requirement for the performance bond on the Service Contracts and the Guaranteed Buy Back, feeling like that was something that all of them kinda had concerns about having that cost over the five years. We really tried to make the thing a little bit easier for them to bid. We received three responses. A No-Bid from ASC. A No-Bid from Linder and a responsive bid from Blanchard. So our recommendation would be to purchase the four pieces of equipment from Blanchard as per the Best-Value package.”

Chairman Call: “What is your total price on that?”

Mr. Tompkins: “The total price for the four pieces of equipment, the first year Service Contract and the Extended Warranty was \$1.9...\$1,912,638.”

Chairman Call: “And we budgeted? Ok, now, you say it is four pieces of equipment?”

Mr. Tompkins: “Yes sir”

Chairman Call: “And uh, so what is this sheet that shows seven pieces? Are you telling me that they did not get bids on three of the pieces?”

Mr. Tompkins: “Which.....?”

Chairman Call: “I’m looking at a sheet that has seven pieces of equipment on it.”

Mr. Tompkins: “That is the existing equipment that we have, trying to show that the um, cost, the actual warranty what we spent... “

Chairman Call: “I’m sorry

Mr. Tompkins: “Basically, this contract with the Guaranteed Extended Warranty is actually cheaper than what we have been spending to maintaining the equipment.”

Chairman Call: “Ok. Anything from the Committee?”

Committee Member Callanan: “Mr. Chairman?”

Chairman Call: “Sure”

Committee Member Callanan: “The.....I received a couple of phone calls about it.....just so everyone knows, this is a separate budget that the Capital Improvement Budget you all are on. This is all coming out of Water & Sanitation funds. It’s not really a question. I was just making a statement, so everyone knows where the money is coming from.”

Committee Member S. Davis: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Pinckney: "Second"

Chairman Call: "I have a motion. Do I hear a second?"

Committee Member Pinckney: "Second"

Chairman Call: "A motion and a second. Any discussion? All in favor, say Aye? (Ayes) All opposed Nay? (None) The Ayes have it."

It was moved by Committee Member S. Davis and seconded by Committee Member Pinckney to **approve** award the contract for the Solid Waste Best-Value Bid Heavy Equipment Purchases to Blanchard in the amount of \$1,912,638. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

D. Ms. Kimberly Timmons, Recycling Coordinator, Re: Waste Industries hauling rates.

Chairman Call: "You don't look like her. I'll tell you that right now."

Mr. Schlievert: "In lieu of Ms. Kimberly Timmons, I'll take her place. Mark Schlievert, Director of Solid Waste. The Waste Industries contract was for a three year period and the three year period ends the 30th of June, this year. The contract allows for extension of an additional two years and I come before you requesting that we allow this extension. It's a nominal fee, \$.47 extra a month for those that do have uh, recycling. And with the recycling option, it's \$.93 per month. A pretty good rate, irregardless and I recommend that we extend their contract for the additional one year with another review at the end of this year or 2011."

Committee Member S. Davis: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Callanan: "Second"

Chairman Call: "Motion and a second. Any discussion?"

Committee Member Callanan: "Mark, if you can just explain something to me. How does that work with regards to who has and who doesn't have recycling?"

Mr. Schlievert: "They can sign up for that. That's an option that we went for the County Council three years ago when Waste Industries took it and it's offered to the residents that we service on the franchise contract."

Committee Member Callanan: "And.....that's all it comes down too. What's the total and the yearly basis? Where's the figure?"

Mr. Schlievert: "What is that, about \$12? \$.93 yea, \$12 a year."

Committee Member Callanan: "Folks, on Dan.....my neck of the woods, are paying \$100 a year for recycling services, so I would say that is a very good deal."

Mr. Schlievert: "We do have a very good program, I believe here."

Chairman Call: "I have a motion and a second. Any further discussion? All in favor, say Aye? (Ayes) All opposed Nay? (None) The Ayes have it."

Mr. Schlievert: "Thank you"

It was moved by Committee Member S. Davis and seconded by Committee Member Callanan to **approve** the Waste Industries hauling rates.. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

It was moved by Committee Member Callanan and seconded by Committee Member S. Davis to **adjourn** the Committee on Public Works and Purchasing meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 7:42 pm.

May 11, 2010
Date Approved

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A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORKS AND PURCHASING**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, will be held on **Monday April 12, 2010**, following the meetings of the Committees on Water and Sanitation, Justice and Public Safety and Land Use at **6:00 p.m.**, in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 22, 2010

- A. Mr. Mark R. Schlievert, Deputy Director of Solid Waste**, Re: Solid Waste Consulting Engineer Firm.
- B. Mr. Micah Miley, Director of Engineering**, Re: Central Berkeley Wastewater Plant Relocation.
- C. Mr. Doug Tompkins, Deputy Director of Operations**, Re: Solid Waste Best-Value Bid Heavy Equipment Purchases.
- D. Ms. Kimberly Timmons, Recycling Coordinator**, Re: Waste Industries hauling rates.

April 7, 2010
S/Barbara B. Austin, CCC
Clerk of County Council